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Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Core and Mandatory Partners Meeting March 22, 2017 1:30 p.m.—3:30 p.m. Keelikolani Building, 830 Punchbowl Street, Room 310 Honolulu, HI 96813

MINUTES

CORE PARTNERS' ATTENDEES:

Albert Perez, DHS-Vocational Rehabilitation Rusnell Pascual-Kestner, DHS-Vocational Rehabilitation Debbie Miyao, DOE-Adult Education Elaine Young, Wagner-Peyser Carol Kanayama, Wagner-Peyser Allicyn Tasaka, Adult, Dislocated Worker and Youth Programs

MANDATORY PARTNERS' ATTENDEES:

Artie Barba, DLIR-Unemployment Insurance Anne Perreira-Eustaquio, DLIR-Unemployment Insurance Bernadette Howard, UH-Career and Technical Education Catherine Scardino, DHS-TANF

STATE WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL ATTENDEES:

Jeanne Ohta, Workforce Development Council Kim Saito, Workforce Development Council Allicyn Tasaka, Workforce Development Council Jayson Muraki, Workforce Development Council

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:40 p.m. by Allicyn Tasaka, Executive Director of the Workforce Development Council (WDC). This is the third meeting for the WIOA core and mandatory partners.

II. Approval of Minutes:

A. February 22, 2017 meeting

Carol Kanayama moved to approve the minutes of the February 22, 2017 meeting with two amendments: delete Catherine Scardino from the list of attendees and add Jayson Muraki to the list. Bernadette Howard seconded the motion. The motion was passed with 10 ayes. (WDC staff are non-voting attendees)

III. New Business

- A. As an onging process to learn more of the programs offered by core and mandatory partners, presentations by Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) and Unemployment Insurance (UI) were made.
- 1. Catherine Scardino, Program Administrator of TANF provided an overview of the TANF program, providing the background of the program; the purposes of the program; and the eligibility and the requirements of the recipients who receive program benefits. She also described the First to Work program, including the requirements of the program and the type of supportive services that are provided through the program.
- 2. Anne Perreira-Eustaquio and Artie Barba explained the different funding streams in the UI system and their purposes. For UI claimants, the benefits are entitlements and not based on need. The program must meet performance measures. One core measure is the percent of claimants who were reemployed during the first quarter after the first payment. The current performance is 69.3%. There is an opportunity to align UI's Reemployment Services and Eligibility Assessment (RESEA) program with WIOA programs and to grow RESEA as an entry point to other reemployment programs.

IV. Old Business

A. Members were asked if they had questions on the WIOA Memorandum of Understanding Workbook that was presented at the February 22, 2017 meeting. Members expressed concern about the MOU's with UI for the wage matching and with the progress of integrating the DVR and Adult Education participant data systems with HireNet. UI asked to be involved in the discussions of the integration. Jeanne Ohta informed the members that a telephone conference will be scheduled with the Workforce Connect representative who will facilitate the integration of the systems.

V. Meeting Schedule

- A. Monthly meetings through June 2017 from 1:30 pm-3:30 pm
 - 1. April 19 at Keelikolani Building, Room 310
 - 2. May 24 and June 14 at McKinley Community School for Adults, Conference Room 110

VI. Announcements

Bernadette Howard reported that a Castle Foundation grant will help fund a scan of the current work-based learning opportunities that are available across all sectors of the workforce system. She also reported that there will be two presentations by Nepris to explain the program to both teachers and employers.

The Hawaii College Access Network (HICAN) will hold a summit on "The State of Career Readiness in Hawaii" on April 26, 2017. Bernadette suggests that there needs to be a workforce presence at that event and that there should be a connection between the agencies involved in career readiness activities and programs.

VII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:25 p.m.